

ASSASSIN THREATENS INDIA

Home Life Co. Is Sold; Its Policies Believed Salvaged

Keystone and Security Co.'s Close Purchase Deal at Nashville

A. B. BANKS RESIGNS

Bankruptcy Petitions Filed Personally and For A. B. Banks & Co.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(P)—Control of the Inter-Southern Life Insurance company of Louisville, Ky., the Home Life of Arkansas, and other affiliated concerns of the Inter-Southern, passed to the Keystone Holding company of Hammond, Ind., Monday when that concern paid in to the American National bank here the sum of \$2,092,000.

Officials of the Keystone Holding company said they now had working control of the Missouri State Life, the Home Life of Arkansas and five other insurance companies.

The president of the Keystone company is Macchi Dorsey, who is also president of the Security Life Insurance company of America.

The total insurance business acquired by the Keystone and Security companies in their deal Monday is reported to include majority control of Southern and Middle-Western concerns with total assets of \$210,000,000, cash income of \$60,000,000 a year, and insurance in force in the amount of \$1,750,000,000.

A. B. Banks, Resigns
LITTLE ROCK.—Following the purchase of 60 per cent and control of the Home Life Insurance company of Arkansas by the Keystone and Security companies, reported at Nashville, Tenn., Monday, A. B. Banks, veteran Arkansas insurance manager and banker resigned as president of the Home Life.

Mr. Banks was head of A. B. Banks & Co., the firm of managers which controlled the three Home Life companies—fire, accident, and life. The fire and accident companies are in receivership, but authorities believed the life insurance company was solvent and its sale to a larger and more powerful company Monday was as expected.

J. J. Harrison, general manager of the Home Life, in a statement regarding the sale to the Keystone company, said: "Purchase of control of the Inter-Southern Life Insurance company by the Keystone Holding company guarantees the stability and permanence of the Home Life Insurance company, 60 per cent of which is owned by the Inter-Southern company. The Home Life company will receive \$800,000 from the sale. In addition, the state insurance commissioner has been given assurances by the new owners that they will make any necessary advances for the normal operation of the Home Life company."

A. B. Banks, Bankrupt
LITTLE ROCK.—Voluntary bankruptcy petitions were filed in United States district court here late Monday by A. B. Banks, A. B. Banks & Co., and the Vann M. Howell company, said to be a holding concern for Mr. Banks.

Judge Martineau is expected to announce the appointment of a receiver Tuesday.

Schedules and assets and liabilities will be filed within the next 10 days, the bankruptcy petition said.

American-Exchange Plan
LITTLE ROCK.—The possibility that a depositors' committee comprising well known Little Rock business men will take over the business of the American-Exchange Trust company as a new bank, was expressed Monday by Charles L. Thompson, committee chairman.

The American-Exchange, which closed Monday, November 17, was headed by A. B. Banks.

Northwest Arkansas Bank Is Reorganized

BENTONVILLE.—(P)—Over-subscription to capital and surplus goals set by depositors of the closed Benton County National Bank here have been announced by the depositors' committee. The goal for capital was \$100,000 and for surplus \$20,000. The committee, of which W. T. Dudley is chairman, and the Rev. R. S. Hayden, secretary, said conditions were favorable to a speedy reorganization and reopening of the bank, which closed December 8 after heavy withdrawals.

Chapel Planned at Rouen to Honor Joan of Arc

ROUEN, France.—(U)—An appeal for the memorial chapel in honor of Saint Joan of Arc, to be erected on the spot in the Rouen market place where she was burned to death 500 years ago, has just been issued by Archbishop Andre du Bois de la Villalabel, Primate of Normandy.

Buddy's Doing Nicely, Thanks



Here's Charles "Buddy" Rogers, famous movie star, photographed in his bed in a Toledo, Ohio, hospital after an operation for appendicitis. The operation failed to deprive him of his well-known smile—and his fair admirers might note, too, that while convalescing he has taken occasion to raise a mustache. See it?

U. S. Contracts to Hold Wage Scale

Hoover Lays Down Fixed Policy For All Federal Dealings

WASHINGTON.—(P)—President Hoover said Tuesday that the total scheduled expenditures for the federal government during the next calendar year amount to \$724,000,000. The president informed the various departments that it will be the fixed policy of the federal government that wages on all contracts let by the government shall be held up to the standard existing in whichever district the work is being performed.

Civil War Vet Is Held For Murder

North Arkansas Man Shot at Neighbor, Then Killed Sheriff

FAYETTEVILLE.—(P)—Civil War veteran, is held in jail here Tuesday on a charge of murdering Sheriff John Phillips of Madison county. Sheriff Phillips was killed while reading a warrant of arrest to the aged eccentric at his farm 10 miles north of Huntville. The sheriff's body was found about 4 p. m. Monday. When arrested by a posse, Matlock said he had fired merely to frighten the officer, and with no intention of hitting him. The original warrant, the serving of which cost Sheriff Phillips his life, charged Matlock with shooting at a neighbor a day or two before.

Matches Threatened By New German Product

BERLIN.—(U)—A new synthetic inflammable product, invented in the laboratories of I. G. Farbenindustrie, the great German chemical trust, threatens to eliminate the use of matches.

The substance, which is called bonal, is a transparent fluid and is packed in tubes from which it can be squeezed with a light touch. It evaporates very slowly, is highly inflammable, burns without giving off soot, and has no smell. Used in a lighter it is very much cheaper than matches. Finally bonal can be used as a cleaning material and will remove almost any stain.

Inferiority Complex May Lead to Success

HARTFORD, Conn.—(U)—Success often affects those subject to a feeling of inferiority, in the opinion of Dr. G. R. Wells, professor of psychology at Hartford Theological Seminary. Such persons, the professor told a gathering of educators here, often are "spurred over obstacles by a feeling that they are not upon an equal footing with associates."

GOOD FELLOW GIFT

One more gift for the Good Fellows fund reached The Star office Tuesday. The donor was Mrs. Florence Turner, and her gift of \$1 put the season's total at \$318.50.

Hand-Made Industry Now 'Goes Machine'

FAYETTEVILLE.—(P)—"Axe-Handle Pete" has gone modern. Pettigrew's leading craftsman, Peter Curtis, 65—is all washed up with fashioning his product by hand, and hereafter axe handles bearing the Curtis handmark are going to be made on a lathe. "Axe-Handle Pete," whose name was won from a half century of craftsmanship in the Ozark hills, has made axe handles since boyhood, at the rate of from one to four dozen daily. "Pete's" idea of big business hereafter is to "sit on a stump and watch a couple of hired hands turn out 25 dozen handles a day."

Depositors Meet on Arkansas Bank

Session Being Held Tuesday Afternoon at the City Hall

Depositors in the Arkansas Bank & Trust Co., which suspended payment November 17, are holding a meeting at Hope City hall Tuesday afternoon.

No intimation of any plans concerning the bank were given out before-hand. It is not certain that any program has been determined on, but it is believed that the meeting, which was called by U. A. Gentry and E. F. McFadden, local attorneys, was principally for the purpose of discussing the condition of the bank and its various accounts.

The bank was turned over to the state banking department at the close of the five-day permit at the suspension, and the state has appointed W. S. Atkins, of Hope, as liquidating agent.

Wife Is Killed in Memphis Triangle

Husband Surrenders—Says She Resented His Protest of Another Man

MEMPHIS.—(P)—Mrs. Jessie Kewin, 28, of Osceola, Ark., was shot to death in a hotel-room here early Tuesday morning. Her husband, Rex Kewin, 40, surrendered to police. Kewin told police his wife had been friendly with another man, and when he upbraided her with it she attacked him with a poker. The fatal shooting followed Tuesday morning, police were told.

Virginia City Is Rocked By Blast

Acetylene Explosion Frightens Citizens of Newport News

NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—(P)—A terrific explosion in the acetylene gas plant of the Virginia Gas Products company here early Tuesday hurled people from the beds, catapulted furniture around rooms and sent hundreds fleeing into the snow and frigid atmosphere in their night clothes.

Police said no one was injured, and injuries were minor.

Undertakers Handle Weddings as Sideline

HARTFORD, Conn.—(U)—An undertaking firm, the D'Esopo-Gallagher Funeral Home, has just announced a sideline—weddings.

Trained experts, the firm announces, will take over "little headaches" connected with weddings, such as engraving the invitations, decorating the church or home, costuming the attendants and ordering flowers for the bride.

Human Arsenal Takes Stroll Near Capitol

WASHINGTON.—(U)—Detective Sergeant J. J. Wise thought he'd better investigate when he saw a youth walking along a street near the United States Capitol with two gold-plated revolvers protruding from his coat pockets.

He did. Further search revealed that the youth was carrying in addition a blackjack two hunting knives three jack-knives, more than 200 cartridges, a flashlight, a pair of driver's goggles, and was wearing two wrist watches. After being relieved of the young arsenal he admitted that the articles were stolen from a hardware store.

\$15,000,000 Note Issued For Roads Offered Jan. 15th

Highway Department to Let Many New Contracts in 30 Days

FEDERAL AID READY

Arkansas' Share, \$1,300,000; Waiting on State Note Sale 15th

LITTLE ROCK.—(P)—The State Highway Note Board Tuesday authorized the state treasurer to advertise for bids on a \$15,000,000 short-term note issue to be offered January 15. The short-term issue will be scheduled for retirement one year from date of issue, the announcement said. The retirement will be accomplished as in the past by the sale of long-term bonds later on.

A similar move occurred during the spring and summer, when the depressed condition of the bond market impelled the note board to issue short-term securities, which were later absorbed by the usual issue of long-term bonds. Sale of the short-term issue permits immediate highway construction which otherwise would be delayed pending the improvement of the bond market.

Justin Mathews, member of the State Highway Commission, said Tuesday that contracts on new road projects would probably be let late in January or early in February to help relieve unemployment.

Federal Money Is Ready
WASHINGTON.—(P)—State highway departments of all states were notified Tuesday that their respective portions of the \$80,000,000 federal highway construction appropriation are available immediately.

Arkansas Share
LITTLE ROCK.—(P)—The State Highway Department said Tuesday that Arkansas would receive \$1,300,000 from the federal appropriation. Chief Engineer C. S. Christian has instructed all branches of the State Highway Department to prepare projects for the contract stage at the earliest possible date.

Legion Head Urges Loans to Farmers

Sends Letter to President Hoover Asking For Loans to Buy Food

SEAR, Ark.—(P)—State Commander Oran J. Vaughan of the American Legion in a letter to President Hoover Friday presented a description of drought and financial conditions in the state in which he asserted it would be "an empty gesture, to offer to loan our farmers money to purchase feed, seed and fertilizer with no provisions for necessities of life for themselves and families."

"Our people do not want charity," Commander Vaughan's letter said, "row the money to carry on with the honest intention of repaying it. Certain technicalities of government policy should not be allowed to interfere with the prevention of such widespread and intense human suffering as the next few months are destined to bring."

Vaughan said in many instances cotton yields were reduced to one-fifth to one-tenth of last year's crop, and low prices gave the growers practically no return.

He said since almost one-fourth of the banks are closed, "customers of these banks will have no place to obtain finances for next year's crop. Those banks that are still solvent must of necessity curtail their operations because the reserve of cash is being consumed in bridging over the period of depression."

Faulkner County Has Youngest Legislator

LITTLE ROCK.—(P)—The title of "Boy Legislator" passes this year to Kenneth C. Coffelt, of Faulkner county, who became 22 years old after being elected representative last fall.

Coffelt will succeed to the title given during the 1929 legislature to Ted P. Croxey of Green Forest, Carroll county, who will return to the coming session two years older at 23, having served during the 1929 session as a reading clerk.

Town Moves for Highway

BARGERSVILLE, Ind.—(U)—Bargersville has become the fastest moving town in Indiana since construction started on the highway through here. Nearly every house in the town will be moved to permit the straightening of the road. The job will not be difficult, however, as only 200 people live there.

Star Acknowledges Santa Claus Letters

With Nearly 1,000 Unpublished Letters the Editor Must Send Them on For Santa to Read—Here Are Some of the Names Not Yet Acknowledged, and We'll Tell About the Rest Tomorrow

All the Santa Claus letters that aren't published in The Star will be read by Santa himself.

The Editor of The Star will see to it that all the little folks who have written letters to this newspaper may be very sure that Santa has read them and knows all about their Christmas presents.

More letters have been received by The Star than it possibly could publish the next two weeks, and as it is now Christmas Eve we can no longer continue to print all of each letter—or some little folks would be left out entirely.

Today and tomorrow we are acknowledging the names and addresses of each Santa Claus letter that The Star has received. We are sorry not to be able to publish each letter in full. We have printed close to 1,000 letters. There are as many more that haven't yet been published.

We hope we haven't missed anybody. Those who wrote letters to Santa and haven't yet seen them in The Star, should find their names here today and tomorrow. If one out of all those 2,000 is missing, tell us and we will still acknowledge it.

Nobody outside of The Star office really knows how many letters to Santa Claus have been handled here. If one of our little letter-writers could sit with us for a moment and open our mail, how surprised they would be to learn there are so many little

Hugh Lothrop Dies, Is Buried Tuesday

Mrs. Lothrop Native of Columbus, Both Well Known in This County

Hugh Lothrop, 45, advertising manager of the Daily News at El Dorado, and a newspaper man with many friends in Texarkana, Hope and other cities of this section, died in El Dorado Monday after a five weeks' illness.

His wife, the former Valerie Booker, was a native of Columbus, this county, and Mr. and Mrs. Booker frequently visited relatives and friends there.

Mr. Lothrop was a graduate of the University of Texas, a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and for 15 years had been connected with the advertising departments of newspapers throughout this section. He started with C. E. Palmer in the old Four States Press, predecessor of the Texarkana Gazette, before Mr. Palmer's sale of that newspaper.

Two years ago Mr. Lothrop assisted Mr. Palmer and Alex. H. Washburn in organizing the local advertising department following their purchase and consolidation which produced the Hope Star.

Funeral services for Mr. Lothrop are being held at Marshall, Texas, his former home, at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. He is survived by his widow, one son, Edward, four sisters, Mrs. Constance Bass and Mrs. Lewis Chevalier of Marshall, Texas, Mrs. Milo Tedstrom of Anaheim, Cal., and Miss Mary Lothrop of Los Angeles, Cal.; three brothers, Milton Lothrop of Okmulgee, Okla., Grifton Lothrop of St. Louis, Mo., and Reuben Lothrop of Marshall, Texas, and his mother, Mrs. M. Lothrop of El Dorado.

Arkansas Co-Eds Go in For Gun Practice

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark.—(P)—More than 40 co-eds of the University of Arkansas have gone in for shooting with real rifles.

The first week's practice under the tutelage of Major A. L. Hamblen consisted of having their pictures taken, learning to sight accurately, and study of the rifle's mechanism.

Major Hamblen said other co-ed rifle teams have challenged the Razorback squad, and that teams from other universities would be met.

One member of the squad is Miss Mary C. Barnard, formerly captain of the Purdue University rifle team.

Jail Population Exceeds Capacity in W. Virginia

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va.—(U)—County jail will have to house their own prisoners if the present facilities at the West Virginia state prison are not enlarged soon, according to Warden A. C. Scroggins.

Accommodations have long since been exceeded and with the population threatening to reach 2,400 by January 1, additional quarters will have to be provided or the counties must take care of their prisoners themselves. Scroggins said.

Punjab Governor Twice Wounded in Attack at Lahore

Sir Geoffrey de Montmorency Is Fired on Six Times

2 STUDENTS SEIZED
Smouldering Empire Flamed by Riot Tuesday at University

LAHORE, India.—(P)—Sir Geoffrey de Montmorency, governor of Punjab, was wounded above the eye and in one arm by assassins Monday. The attack on the governor occurred as he attended the University of Punjab. Six shots were fired at the throng, and two students were killed. A preliminary examination by Geoffrey, by medical officials, of the announcement that his wounds were not believed to be serious.

Two Policemen Hurt
Two members of the Indian police guarding the governor's procession were injured during the confusion which followed the attempted assassination.

Police have arrested two students and charged them with attempting to take the governor's life. The attack is believed to be a more radical manifestation of the political unrest which has gripped British India ever since Quaker launched his campaign of non-resistance to foreign rule.

Trouble in India
Months ago the police broke into actual fighting, and salt pits, Bombay, where the British government's salt plants are located, were destroyed. Further and more recent trouble was noticed following the conference of native India princes in London, where disputes broke out regarding the continuing of certain features of imperial rule in the Far East.

Republicans Pat in Norris Fight

No Apologizes, and Will Stand Behind Lucas in His Attack

WASHINGTON.—(P)—Representative Wood, Republican of Indiana, after conference with President Hoover Tuesday said the recent statement of Robert H. Lucas, executive director of the Republican National Committee, "expresses the sentiment of every real Republican in the United States."

Wood, chairman of the Republican congressional campaign committee, said he personally believed Republicans should oppose men of the type of Senator Norris of Nebraska.

Triplets Offer Parents Birthday Problem

NEWBURYPORT, Mass.—(U)—Triplets who were born in different months will offer M. and Mrs. Osgood Eaton something of a problem when their first birthday anniversary occurs a year from now.

The first of the triplets, a boy, will celebrate his birthday in November, while the other two, a girl and a boy, will celebrate in December. The first was born shortly before midnight on the last day of November and the other two shortly after midnight on December 1.

SHOPPING DAY TILL XMAS

This is your last chance for Christmas shopping. Most people have done their shopping already. But occasionally you overlooks a gift or two, or leaves an old friend off the list, or accidently that's your case, now is your last opportunity to rectify matters.

last-minute rush isn't always as bad as you think, so if you still need something, get busy while there is still time.

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The Star's Platform

CITY
The revenues of the municipal power plant to develop the natural resources of Hope.
The improvement of the city in 1930, and improved sanitary conditions in the city.

COUNTY
County highway program providing for the construction of a network of all-weather roads each year, to gradually reduce the cost of travel.
Official and economic support for every scientific agricultural experiment that offers practical benefits to Hempstead county.

STATE
Continued progress on the state highway program.
Continued progress on the state highway program.

They Still Don't Mix

The Hoover administration rounds out its second year and the country begins to get a fair estimate of the man who has been in the White House for two years. It is an estimate which might be condensed in an old saying: "Politics and business don't mix."

Obviously, Mr. Hoover is uncomfortable in the presidency. He is revealed to us as rather more of the business man and rather less of the political cast than any of our presidents.

We mean that in an unfriendly way. There is a time when the type of mind that knows business and not politics is needed in the White House. There is also a time—and it comes frequently—when the eternal art of the statesman is called for; and there is a time when the presidency is called for.

All the rules of human judgment Mr. Hoover is giving up. He is not a statesman. He who was given the presidency as a statesman among business men, now that the test is applied, proves actually to be nothing but a business man among statesmen.

When we judge Mr. Hoover merely by his public actions, we are over the actions of the congress, and forget his past in foreign relief work or among the machine-statisticians of the Department of Commerce, then certainly we would find a resemblance to a very ordinary business man suddenly thrust into an unfamiliar seat, confronted by hostile forces, and utterly unable to fence off an harassing attack.

It is rather a shocking lesson to some Southern voters who two years ago voted for Mr. Hoover under the impression that he might be equal, if not superior, to Governor Cleveland. Let us recall that while Mr. Hoover sweats under the pressure of a congress he is supposed to control, Governor Smith spent eight years at Albany confronted by a legislature both houses of which perpetually were controlled by the majority. Such odds make statesmen.

Criticism of the president is as puzzling as is the president himself. For, just as Mr. Hoover seems not to know how to get along with this new office, so the critics are at a loss to approach this strange and baffling problem.

It all goes back to a theory now utterly blasted—the theory that what politics needed was a sane and judicious dose of "business." It is nonsense. What politics needs—and always will need—is statesmen.

Mr. Hoover is making his record now, and criticism of his record is not allayed one little bit by the fact that these tumultuous times and people are hungry and impatient. Governor Cleveland once faced such times, and though defeated he returned to conquer. We rather suspect that if Mr. Hoover should be defeated, it would be "curtains" for him.

For the president has permitted the sympathy and understanding of the common people to escape him. In high office he suddenly seems strange. The illusion of nearness, of friendliness, courage and confidence, which the true executive inspires by an occasional word and a casual gesture—these with Mr. Hoover are gone. Somehow we can't visualize that with Governor Smith. Nor with Franklin Roosevelt, another Democrat fighting a Republican legislature.

There are some things a business man can't learn, and a statesman can't forget.—Alex. H. Washburn.

When Hearst Spoke

ARTHUR BRISBANE recalls a famous newspaper statement that was made at the height of the panic of 1907. "As today, thoughtless people were taking their money out of banks, making a bad condition worse. Mr. Brisbane's employer, William Randolph Hearst, wrote an editorial that was published not only by his own newspapers but by practically every important journal in America. The editorial was called "A Word to the Thoughtless." Mr. Hearst said: "To the wise no word is necessary. Men of knowledge understand full well that the country was never more prosperous and that a panic in the midst of such unexampled industrial and commercial activity as this nation has recently enjoyed, and still enjoys, is a grotesque absurdity. The reasoning of those persons who are now participating in runs upon perfectly solvent banking institutions on a par with that of those citizens who think, because they merely pay rent, they need not have the same concern about the conduct of government as those who own property. The informed man knows that those who pay rent are much taxpayers as those who own the houses in which they live. Their concern with government is equally as great as that of the property owners. Likewise, the man who draws money from a perfectly solvent bank, in such a time as this, instead of protecting himself, may be promoting his own undoing. Credit is the life of business. If banks fail, business ceases. If business is wrecked, employment will cease. And what will it profit a man if he get his small hoard from a bank at the price of his business or his job? Think of this before you join a line of the panic stricken."



BARBS

Burglars successfully looted an apartment house in Chicago recently with the aid of a monkey. Now watch others try and ape them.

Then there's the farmer who, asked how business was, replied, "Oh, just sow sow."

Prices of eggs fell to a new season low in Chicago the other day. Probably in obedience to someone's order there to scram.

To the scientist who said the germ for the common cold is too small to be seen by the microscope, the witty cynic says "Oh, don't bacilli!"

A dentist may be boring at times, but he's usually pretty quick on the draw.

King Carol's foe Bratianu Is Dead

Liberal Chief of Roumania Succumbs in Retirement on Estate.

BUCHAREST, Roumania.—(P)—Vintila Bratianu, former premier of Roumania, died of apoplexy Monday on his estate at Mihalci.

Vintila Bratianu and his even more famous brother, Jon, were considered the powers behind the throne of the late King Ferdinand and Queen Marie for years.

On the death of Jon in 1927, Vintila succeeded him as premier, and his enmity toward the present King Carol II increased. Previously he had been a leading figure in the acts which deprived Carol of the title of crown prince and banished him to exile.

He was elected leader of the Liberal party soon afterward and held the reins of office amid constant crises and rumors of crises for a year. Then, after a difference between the agency which governed for the boy King Michael, he resigned and gave way to a National Peasant party administration under Dr. Julius Maniu. That the country welcomed the change was indicated by the overwhelming defeat of the Liberals at the ensuing general election.

Though retiring directly from public life, Vintila Bratianu always remained a figure of great importance in Roumania.

After Carol had returned from exile last June, flying by airplane to capture the throne of his father, the National Assembly by an overwhelming vote proclaimed him king and reduced Carol's son, Michael, to his original status of crown prince. Only one voice was heard in opposition, that of Vintila Bratianu.

Two months earlier he had caused a

American Heads Hunt for Warriors' Descendants

PARIS.—(U.P.)—Jackson Crispin, of New York, has been appointed the American member of the William-the-Conqueror Committee which is seeking authentic descendants of the soldiers who fought in the battle of Hastings, in 1066.

It is intended to form an order to be known as the Chevaliers of Hastings, which will likely be the world's largest.

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3 insertions, 7c per line, minimum 50c
5 insertions, 5c per line, minimum \$1.00
10 insertions, 3c per line, minimum \$4.00
(Average 5 1-2 words to the line)

The Want Ad Phone Number Is 7 6 8

FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Large front bed room. Close in. Phone 212.
Two nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Everything furnished. Mrs. F. T. Chamberlain, 717 South Main. Phone 315.

WANTED
WANTED TO RENT—Bedroom ad-

LOST
LOST—Patent leather hatbox containing apparel and Christmas packages, from car parked near 2nd and Elm. Reward. E. G. Steed, Phone 1695-F21.

NOTICE
NOTICE—Right after Christmas, at the Penny store, is annual Remnant week.

Political Announcements

The Star is authorized to make the following announcements of candidates for the Democratic primary election.

CITY ELECTION
(January 27, 1931)
For Mayor
DORSEY McRAE
J. L. JAMISON
R. A. (RUFF) BOYETT

For Alderman
ROY JOHNSON (Ward 3)

For Treasurer
DALE C. JONES

CARD OF THANKS

To the sisters of the First Baptist church and the Methodist church, we thank you for your kindness on Thanksgiving. Love to each one and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

To the children, so sweet to two old people, we say thanks. Love Jesus is the way. Follow him. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We also wish for the pastor and wife the same.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Greene.

Hog Fasts Four Months

CENTER, Miss.—(U.P.)—Four months of fasting is the record of a 400-pound hog on the Ralph F. O'Connell farm. Early in August two hogs were buried under a straw shed during shock harvesting. The hogs were missed and it was assumed they had strayed away. Recently the straw was cleared away. Out walked one of the hogs, a little thinner but still in good health. The other hog died.

Residential Site Is Planned; No Alleys

FRESNO, Cal.—(U.P.)—A residential district without alleys will be attempted here, it appears following an order of the city commission to abandon alleys in a section known as Terrace Gardens.

Terrace gardens will be re-subdivided in a way to eliminate alleys except for an eight-foot right-of-way for public utilities. Streets all will be 70 feet wide. All lots will be of large frontage with all residents required to construct driveways.

The bride was very much concerned at seeing twin beds in their bridal suite.

"What's the matter, dearest?" asked the attentive bridegroom.

"Why, I certainly thought that we were going to get a room all to ourselves."—The Marathon Runner.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

I am no longer interested in the saw mill with G. W. Waddle. J. H. Woodul. 22-3t

LOST—Snap purse containing two \$5.00 bills and three \$1.00 bills. Reward for return to this office or S. S. Wafer. 22-3tp

PIGGLY WIGGLY
All Over the World

Specials For Tuesday and Wednesday

ORANGES Florida Sweets Two Dozen	35c	GRAPEFRUIT Florida Five For	23c
Fruit Cake Our Own Made Two Pounds	79c	COCOANUTS Two For	11c
RAISINS Country Club Seedless 2 pound package	18c	Pineapple No. 2 Can Broken Slices	24c
BUTTER Country Club None Better	39c	EGGS Country Dozen	25c
Bananas Golden Ripe Four Pounds	19c	Shoulders Fine For That Roast—Pound	14½c
Oysters From Baltimore	Select, Pint 39c Ex. Select pt. 49c	Armour's Sugar Cured HAMS Picnic Style Pound	18c
Fresh Pork HAMS Small Size and Juicy—Pound	22c	HOPE'S LEADING GROCERY	

Daily Cross-Word Puzzle

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

Across: 1. A leviathan (MONSTER), 2. A timid person (SCARED), 3. A noisy person (NOISY), 4. A noisy sound (NOISE), 5. A noisy sound (NOISE), 6. A noisy sound (NOISE), 7. A noisy sound (NOISE), 8. A noisy sound (NOISE), 9. A noisy sound (NOISE), 10. A noisy sound (NOISE), 11. A noisy sound (NOISE), 12. A noisy sound (NOISE), 13. A noisy sound (NOISE), 14. A noisy sound (NOISE), 15. A noisy sound (NOISE), 16. A noisy sound (NOISE), 17. A noisy sound (NOISE), 18. A noisy sound (NOISE), 19. A noisy sound (NOISE), 20. A noisy sound (NOISE), 21. A noisy sound (NOISE), 22. A noisy sound (NOISE), 23. A noisy sound (NOISE), 24. A noisy sound (NOISE), 25. A noisy sound (NOISE), 26. A noisy sound (NOISE), 27. A noisy sound (NOISE), 28. A noisy sound (NOISE), 29. A noisy sound (NOISE), 30. A noisy sound (NOISE), 31. A noisy sound (NOISE), 32. A noisy sound (NOISE), 33. A noisy sound (NOISE), 34. A noisy sound (NOISE), 35. A noisy sound (NOISE), 36. A noisy sound (NOISE), 37. A noisy sound (NOISE), 38. A noisy sound (NOISE), 39. A noisy sound (NOISE), 40. A noisy sound (NOISE), 41. A noisy sound (NOISE), 42. A noisy sound (NOISE), 43. A noisy sound (NOISE), 44. A noisy sound (NOISE), 45. A noisy sound (NOISE), 46. A noisy sound (NOISE), 47. A noisy sound (NOISE), 48. A noisy sound (NOISE), 49. A noisy sound (NOISE), 50. A noisy sound (NOISE), 51. A noisy sound (NOISE), 52. A noisy sound (NOISE), 53. A noisy sound (NOISE), 54. A noisy sound (NOISE), 55. A noisy sound (NOISE), 56. A noisy sound (NOISE), 57. A noisy sound (NOISE), 58. A noisy sound (NOISE), 59. A noisy sound (NOISE), 60. A noisy sound (NOISE), 61. A noisy sound (NOISE), 62. A noisy sound (NOISE), 63. A noisy sound (NOISE), 64. A noisy sound (NOISE), 65. A noisy sound (NOISE), 66. A noisy sound (NOISE), 67. A noisy sound (NOISE), 68. A noisy sound (NOISE), 69. A noisy sound (NOISE), 70. A noisy sound (NOISE), 71. A noisy sound (NOISE), 72. A noisy sound (NOISE), 73. A noisy sound (NOISE), 74. A noisy sound (NOISE), 75. A noisy sound (NOISE), 76. A noisy sound (NOISE), 77. A noisy sound (NOISE), 78. A noisy sound (NOISE), 79. A noisy sound (NOISE), 80. A noisy sound (NOISE), 81. A noisy sound (NOISE), 82. A noisy sound (NOISE), 83. A noisy sound (NOISE), 84. A noisy sound (NOISE), 85. A noisy sound (NOISE), 86. A noisy sound (NOISE), 87. A noisy sound (NOISE), 88. A noisy sound (NOISE), 89. A noisy sound (NOISE), 90. A noisy sound (NOISE), 91. A noisy sound (NOISE), 92. A noisy sound (NOISE), 93. A noisy sound (NOISE), 94. A noisy sound (NOISE), 95. A noisy sound (NOISE), 96. A noisy sound (NOISE), 97. A noisy sound (NOISE), 98. A noisy sound (NOISE), 99. A noisy sound (NOISE), 100. A noisy sound (NOISE).

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Former Pupils and Teachers Return

Many Students and Teachers Return For Holidays

The Blevins High School was closed about 18 years ago. Blevins has since then sent quite a number of its former pupils to college. Financial depression has rendered this number smaller than in the past, but there are still many who have returned home. This year, Miss Marion Bruce, former teacher, is home from the University of Arkansas, and Edward Bruce, former student, is home from the State Agricultural College at Magnolia. John and Joyce Bruce are students in their respective institutions. Miss Bruce is a junior and Edward Bruce is in his first year. All of these are graduates of Blevins High School. So quite a group of teachers are coming back to Blevins for the holidays. Among them are Mr. Alton J. Stephens, principal of schools at Hope, and Miss Elmer Bailey, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas. Mattie Lee, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is a teacher at Stuttgart. Veranda Elmer Bruce, teacher at DeWitt, is also returning. Mrs. J. N. Thomas, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is a teacher at McCall. Mrs. Mary and John Nesbit, who have just returned from the University of Arkansas, are also returning. Mrs. Edna Nesbit, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning. Mrs. Daisy Stephens, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning. Mrs. Daisy Bonds, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning. Mrs. Daisy Bonds, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning.

Blevins Teachers Visit Their Homes

1 Blevins Teachers Live Outside the Community Except One

Tuesday saw an exodus of teachers from Blevins. Mrs. Warren Nesbit, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is a teacher at Hope. Mrs. J. N. Thomas, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is a teacher at McCall. Mrs. Mary and John Nesbit, who have just returned from the University of Arkansas, are also returning. Mrs. Edna Nesbit, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning. Mrs. Daisy Stephens, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning. Mrs. Daisy Bonds, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning. Mrs. Daisy Bonds, who has just returned from the University of Arkansas, is also returning.

May Spend \$1,500,000 To Fight Rheumatism

OSKON.—(U.P.)—Expenditure of \$1,500,000 to combat rheumatism has been proposed by State Health Commissioner George H. Bigelow of Massachusetts. Describing the treatment of this disease as the greatest chronic disease problem confronting the commonwealth, Dr. Bigelow has recommended the spending of that amount on a hospital, clinic, research and educational program. Dr. Bigelow estimated there were 900 cases of rheumatism in the state.

BLEVINS LOCALS

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Whiteside, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hendrix, Ray Hendrix, W. M. Hendrix and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nevins of Blevins attended the funeral services for Mr. Fryson Lloyd at Hope Thursday. All of these visitors were relatives of the deceased.

Mrs. Will Cornelius and her daughters, Lucille Nevins are visiting their son and brother, Roy Nevins. Prof. Golden Moore and Sanders Moses of McCaskill attended the play at Blevins Friday evening.

Mrs. Walter Wardlow and mother, Mrs. Montgomery, of McCaskill are moving in the Whiteside house directly in front of the Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. Henry Smith, who has been quite ill for several days is reported improving.

Mrs. Charlie Brown of Wallaceburg, underwent a serious operation at the Cora Donnell Hospital in Prescott Friday. She is reported to be doing well.

Edward Bonds, a student of Magnolia A. M. College, came home Friday to spend the holidays with his family.

J. N. Thomas, who has been suffering an attack of Pneumonia is reported improved.

Oil Rig Is Moved From McCaskill

Machinery From Burton Location Is Trucked to Texas

An oil drilling rig, located for the past three years on what was known as the Burton Wildcat location, four miles south of McCaskill, was moved last week.

Bert Scott, McCaskill business man, had the contract of moving the machinery out from the location to the graveled road, where it was reloaded on heavy trucks to be taken to a new oil field near Houston, Texas.

During the time this well was being drilled there was no little excitement in the surrounding country as many reports were received about the fine showing of oil in this well.

BELTON
The services here Sunday and Sunday night were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Reeves of Oklahoma City. As Mr. Reeves was here several years ago, quite a number were out for both services.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Hampton, of this place were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hampton of McCaskill Saturday and Sunday.

The Belton basketball team won a game and lost one Friday evening when they played both the Friendship and McCaskill teams. They won the Friendship game but lost the one to McCaskill.

Mrs. Pierce Hutson with her nephew and family, Mr. W. H. Wheeler, visited relatives near Pike City over the week end.

Mrs. C. T. Dodson and daughter, visited her son, J. F. Dodson of Nashville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wheelers, formerly of Amburst, Texas, who have been visiting Mrs. Wheelers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Dodson, of this place, left Tuesday morning for Galveston where they will make their home.

Consolidated School Board Hold Meeting

M. L. Nelson Ships Car Load Poultry

Car Consists of Turkeys, Ducks, Geese and Chickens

M. L. Nelson, merchant and poultry dealer in Blevins, the originator of the idea of growing turkeys "by the acre," left Friday afternoon with a car load of poultry for the New Orleans market.

This car consisted mainly of turkeys, there being more than 1000 head, in the car. Of this number approximately one-half were milk fed. Some of the others were mated and the remainder were grown on range in the north part of the county.

It is the plan of the growers in this part of the county to raise more than double the number of turkeys next year than this.

In the neighborhood of 2000 head have been shipped from Blevins this fall for the Thanksgiving and Christmas trade.

Mr. Nelson will return to his home on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Pageant Most Impressive

More Than Forty Persons Render Parts in the Program

The White Christmas pageant at the Blevins Methodist church was more successful than the fondest dreams anticipated. The church was filled to its capacity. Without the slightest hesitation more than forty persons carried out their parts in an impressive manner. Though very simple the scenes were attractive and impressive, and the congregation was sympathetic and attentive throughout.

At the close one young man, Earl White of Hope, came forward to dedicate his life to Christ, and the service, closed by singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and giving the right hand of fellowship in the good old Methodist way.

As gifts for the king more than \$20 in cash was presented in addition to a number of other gifts of substance. These gifts will be used for the relief of those in need in the community.

At a meeting service \$25 had been raised for the Methodist Orphanage at Little Rock.

The pageant was directed by a committee composed of Misses Ione Arrington and Lola Bruce, and Mrs. P. C. Stephens, Jr. Only two practice sessions had been held, and the entire cast had not been together until Sunday evening when it was presented.

Kopweh—Do you think the dead can communicate with us?
Harrnurrh—I know they can't. Once I managed to borrow a dollar from a Scotchman. A week later he died, and I haven't heard a word since.

A little vision goes a long way—too much vision has wrecked more men than too little.

Ozan-McCaskill Road Is Repaired

County Road Crew Drag Road Between Two Towns

A county road crew spent a few days last week in dragging the road between Ozan and McCaskill. Quite an amount of work was done on this road last summer. It was regraded in many places and several days was spent in hauling gravel to the low spots.

Considerable traffic comes over this road from McCaskill and points north. Since the completion of highway No. 24 between Blevins and Nashville, many persons come up to McCaskill from Blevins and thence across to Ozan.

With just a little more work on some of the low places and clay hills this road could be made into an all-weather road.

High School Play Is Great Success

Large Crowd Attend Play Given in High School Auditorium

A three-act comedy "He's My Pal" was presented by the Blevins High School students to a very appreciative audience last Friday evening. The play was built about two romantic love affairs in which there was much confusion but the over pleasing "and they lived happily ever after" ending. The leading roles were acted by Harold Husky, Lula Marie Spears, Oren Stephens and Kathleen Brown, and the entire cast figured largely in the entertainment and the play would have suffered severely without either of the characters. Earl Yates and Hattie Wardlow contributed much to the movement of the occasion in their role of henpecked husband and bossy wife. Other characters were Kathleen and Ethlene Stephens, Beulah Thomas, Herman Brown, William Cummins and Jack Woodson.

The Sweet Home String Band furnished music between acts which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

With an admission price of 25 and 15 cents \$38.00 were taken in which will be used to purchase basketball equipment for the Blevins team.

SWEET HOME SCHOOL NEWS
The school at this place has progressed nicely this term. We have taken the third monthly test. Girls that made an average of "A" were Inez and Maria Hulsey, Dorothy Carmine and Hazel Spears. None of the boys made "A" grades, for which we are sorry. It is hoped that there will be a large number of both girls and boys.

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The First Christmas

AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

2 And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.

3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David.

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

6 And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished, that she should be delivered.

7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9 And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for I have good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11 For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12 And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying,

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us go down into Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

LUKE II

Methodist Church Welcomes Students

Rev. W. J. Whiteside to Be in Charge of Unique Program

The evening hour at the Blevins Methodist church Sunday, December 28, will be a welcome to the students visiting home for the holidays. Included among the students will be the teachers at home for vacation and the program will be centered about the general theme "Why Go to College?"

There will be no preaching at this hour, but the pastor, Rev. W. J. Whiteside, will be in charge of the program. The greater part of the program will be given by visiting students and teachers but some will also be by residents of Blevins. H. M. Stephens, Jr., will speak on "What College Means to a Business Man." After the service an hour of good fellowship will be enjoyed in the church.

The cornerstone will be laid May 30, exactly 500 years after the Saint's martyrdom. This ceremony will be part of the impressive rites planned to commemorate her death.

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SWEET HOME

School at this place closed Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays. Several from here attended the play at the Blevins Auditorium Friday evening, Dec. 19.

Bro. Brooks Stell, of Delight, spent a pleasant visit with friends here last week. He has just returned from a trip to West Texas, Louisiana, Florida and Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peachey came over from Grayson Friday.

W. E. Lee and Allen Moore were

Nine Districts Are Now Consolidated In Blevins Special

Many Improvements Planned in Blevins-McCaskill Schools

NEW BUILDING SOON

Blevins Plans New School Building For the Next Term of School

The directors of the various school districts that recently have been consolidated met in Blevins last Tuesday. The new district is composed of the former districts of Blevins, McCaskill, Friendship, Avery's Chapel and Belton. This brings the total number of districts to nine, that have been consolidated within the past three years. There were twenty-seven districts in the various districts twenty years ago, of whom were present at the meeting Tuesday. All the directors except of the original Blevins board resigned with an understanding that a more equitable distribution would be made in the annual school election next May.

Harmony and optimism prevailed in the meeting. No definite plans were laid for the future but it is certain that schools will be maintained at both McCaskill and Blevins.

At McCaskill, it is the plan of the board to improve the school building, probably an addition will be built to the present building and a large force of teachers will be employed for another year.

According to an announcement by one of the board members is the plan of the district to build a new school building at Blevins in order to take care of the increased number of students that will attend that school. It is the plan to build this building during the coming summer, so that it might be ready for the opening of the next school year.

Several new school buses will be added to those already in service to take the students to and from their homes. There are at the present four buses in the rural districts of the Blevins school.

The completion of the new highway number 24 throughout the north part of the county has helped in no small way to bring these consolidations about, for with the coming of the good road pupils can be given a greater opportunity to attend the larger schools of the county.

business visitors in Prescott Friday. Quiet a number attended the singing at Oscar Montgomery's Wednesday evening.

Christmas Greetings


To each and all of the many customers of the three stores of Geo. W. Robison & Co., we extend our since best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a

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Merry Christmas

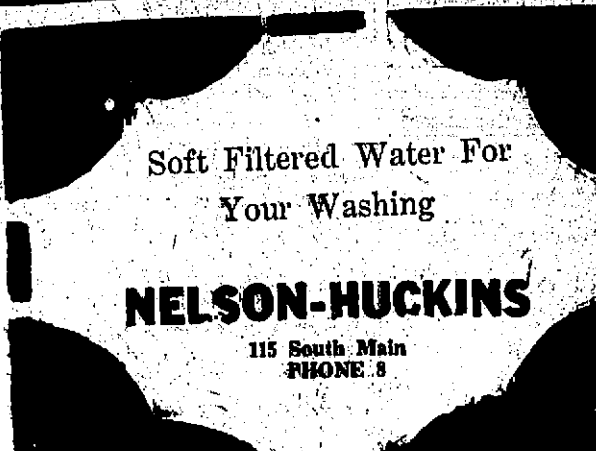
To each and every one of our friends and customers, we extend the wish that the Christmas season may find you with a full measure of joy and happiness. This is the wish of the Darwin Store.

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We need not stand
On mountain peaks
To hear glad tidings ring—
Above the common planes of life
Herald angels sing.
And that our hearts
Know God's peace
We need not journey far,
But bid the Christ Child enter in,
No matter where we are—
—Selected

Miss Patrice Seamon of the Public
School Faculty of Amarillo, Tex., ar-
rived Saturday to spend the Christ-
mas vacation with her sister,
Mrs. E. White and Mr. White.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Peterson and
daughter, Mildred left yesterday for
Arkansas to spend the Christ-
mas holidays with friends and
relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Strickland will
be at home today for the Christ-
mas season. Guests, Mrs. S. Hall,
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robinson and
Mr. C. C. Caster, of Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Newham, Jr.,
and daughter, Nancy Lou, who
have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. W.
Duckett for the past week left this
morning for their home in Little Rock.

Rev. Thos. D. Talley, who is com-
pleting his Theological Course in the
S. M. U. at Dallas, Texas, arrived Sat-
urday to spend the holidays visit-
ing with his mother, Mrs. Ada Talley.

Mrs. R. T. Bryant, Mrs. Ulmer J.
Hester and Mrs. Chas. Bryant spent
yesterday visiting in Texarkana.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale McGee and chil-
dren of Malvern will be Christmas
guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robin-
son and other relatives.

Married—On December 23rd, 1936,
Edith G. Porterfield and Miss Eliza-

beth Giles at the home of the bride's
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stig Giles, in
Hempstead county, near the village of
Hope, Ark.—Today rounds out the
sixty first wedding anniversary of two
of Hope's oldest and most esteemed
citizens, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Porter-
field, who have been citizens of this
community all of their lives, rearing
their family in our midst and watch-
ing Hope grow from a settlement of
a few straggling houses to a city of
unusual worth and beauty. The day
will be spent quietly with a family
dinner at their home on S. Main at
where their many friends are calling
to extend their most sincere con-
gratulations.

Misses Evelyn and Billy Arnold of
Little Rock are spending the holidays
visiting with home folks.

Mrs. Hosea Garrett of Pine Bluff
arrived Saturday to spend the holiday
season visiting with her mother, Mrs.
Mary Lemley and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. K. G. McRae, Sr., will
have as holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs.
Taylor Stuart and daughter, Charlotte
of Arkadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Meehan left
yesterday for Louisville, Ky., where
they will spend Christmas visit-
ing with friends and relatives.

Harry Lemley, Jr., who is attending
a Preparatory School of the U. S.
Army and Navy at Marion, Ala., ar-
rived Saturday to spend the holiday
vacation with his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Harry Lemley, Sr., and other
relatives.

Miss Allene Horton, who is a Senior
in Lindenwood College, St. Charles,
Mo., will arrive today to spend the
Christmas vacation with her mother
Mrs. F. S. Horton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Greene and daugh-
ter, Evelyn, will arrive today from
Little Rock for a Christmas visit with
Mrs. Alice McMath and other relatives.

The Young People of the First
Presbyterian Church will sing Christ-
mas Carols tomorrow evening to the
"Shut-Ins."

Miss Elmina Fontaine left today for
a holiday visit with relatives in Lit-
tle Rock and Clarksville, Ark.

Jack Howard of Atlanta, Ga., has
joined Mrs. Howard for a holiday vis-
it with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. S.
Richards.

Dr. and Mrs. F. D. Henry and little
daughter, Dorothy Lane left today
for Monroe, La., where they will
spend Christmas visiting with rela-
tives, returning to this city Friday at-
ternoon.

Miss Avis Jones will spend the
Christmas holidays visiting with
friends in Nashville.

Mr. and Mrs. Zell Lockwood, of
Little Rock will arrive Wednesday
night for a holiday visit to their par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Erwin.

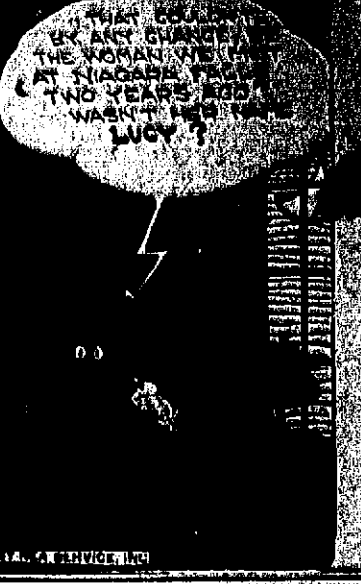
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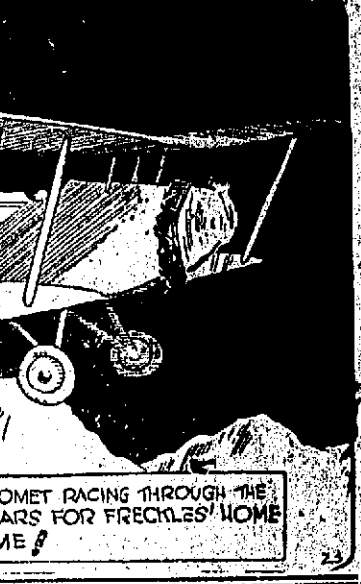
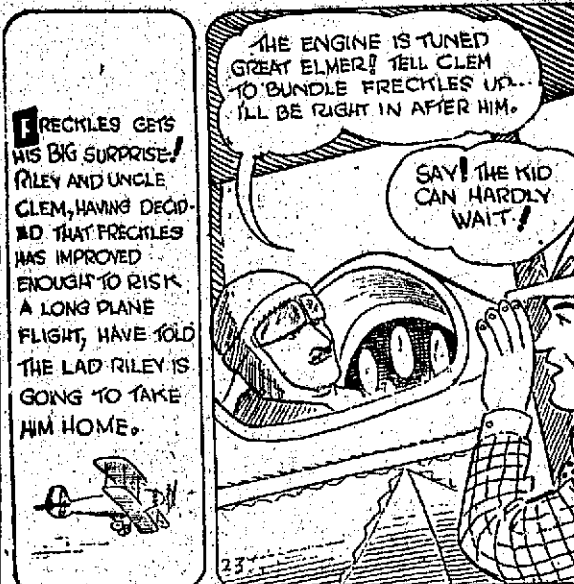
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CORNELIUS—DARWIN

Miss Elise Cornelius and Garland
Darwin were united in marriage at
the Methodist parsonage Sunday morn-
ing, December 21st. The bride is a
teacher in Piney Grove school, and
a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. I.
Cornelius, Hempstead county farmer.

Garland, Darwin, clerk of a leading
hotel in Lubbock, Texas, was born
and reared in Hempstead county. He
served with the Barlow Hotel of this
city for eight years. Both are grad-
uates of Hope High school.

The young couple are now on a
honeymoon in Texas. The bride will
continue teaching until her school
closes, at which time she is to join
her husband in Lubbock.

The Rev. J. L. Cannon officiated at
the ceremony. Only a few close
friends of the bride and groom at-
tended.

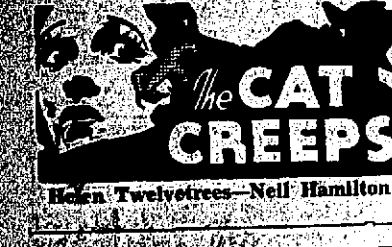
Subways For Africa
ALGIERS.—(U.P.)—The first subway
trains in Africa will run under the
crowded streets of Algiers within a
few months, where only a few years

ago barefooted Arabs trotted. The
subway will connect with cogwheel
railways at various stations which
will carry travelers up the steep
mountainsides to the suburbs on top.

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Murder at Bridge

BEGIN HERE TODAY
JUANITA SELIM is murdered at bridge. Possible suspects include LYDIA CARR, the maid; JOHN C. DRAKE, JUDGE MARSHALL, Nita's landlord, to whom she paid no rent, and owner of the gun and alibi with which she was shot; POLLY BEALE and CLIVE HAMMOND, FLOREY MILES, in Nita's closet at the time of the murder reading a note which she thinks is from her husband, THOMAS; JANET RAYMOND, RALPH HAMMOND, who was engaged to Nita but found out that DEXTER SPRAGUE, who did write the note, was her lover, and probably Nita's partner in blackmail.

Lydia has been practically cleared, and furnished an alibi for Sprague. (Ralph Hammond is no longer under great suspicion. SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR DUNDEE wants now to find out who paid Nita \$10,000 since her arrival in Hamilton. Lydia has arranged for Nita's cremation, as instructed, and is given permission to take from the house the dress which Nita chose for her shroud and which Dundee suspects is a wedding dress. Dundee intends to photograph the dress in the dress which Nita kept as jewelry, but that it was in some secret place in the house.

ELMER HAWKINS, Nita's odd-job man, volunteers the information that he made the footprints under the window that led the police to think the shot was fired from outside, and says that papers were burned in the furnace the night before the murder. Dundee asks PENNY CRAIN if there is a secret hiding place in the Selim house, which used to be her father's, and learns there may be a simple and ingenious arrangement.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY
CHAPTER XXX
IT was exactly 12 o'clock when Lydia Carr, accompanied by Detective Collins of the homicide squad carrying a small suitcase, arrived at the district attorney's office.

"I kept my eye on her every minute of the time, to see that there wasn't a shenanigan," Collins informed Dundee and Sanderson importantly, allusion to the fact that the maid could hear him. "But I let her bring along everything she said she needed to lay the body out in."

"Was that right?"

"Tight!" agreed the district attorney, as Dundee opened the suitcase upon Sanderson's desk.

The royal blue velvet dress lay neatly folded, on top. Dundee shook out its folds. It looked remarkably fresh and new, in spite of the years it had hung in Nita Selim's various clothes closets, preserved for only God knew what tender memories. Perhaps the beautiful little dancer had intended all those years that it should be her shroud.

"Oh, it's lovely!" Penny CRAIN, who was looking on, cried out involuntarily. "It looks like a French model."

"It's a copy of a French model. You can see by the label on the back of the neck," Lydia answered, her one good eye softening for Penny.

"So it is!" Dundee agreed, and took out his penknife to snip the threads which fastened the white satin, gold-lettered label to the frock. "Pierre Model. Copied by Simonson's—New York City," he read aloud, and slipped the little square of satin into the envelope containing the murdered woman's will, for temporary safekeeping.

"Well, Penny, I'm glad you like the dress, for I'm going to ask you to do the mannikin stunt in it as soon as Carraway arrives with his camera."

Penny turned very pale, but she said nothing in protest, and Dundee continued to unpack the suitcase. His masculine hands looked clumsy as he handled the costume slip and miniature "dancing set"—brassiere and "step-ins"—all matching, of finest flesh-colored chiffon and fine lace. His fingers flinched from contact with the switch of long, silky black curls.

"She bought all them after we came to Hamilton," Lydia offered in her harsh, flat voice, pointing to the undergarments. "Them black moire pumps and them French stockings are brand new, too. . . . Flunked-around silk them stockings are, and never on her feet."

"READY for me?" Carraway had appeared in the doorway, carrying his biggest camera and tripod.

"Yes, Carraway. . . . Just the dress, Penny. . . . I want full-length front, back and side views of Miss Carr wearing this dress, Carraway. . . . Flashlights, of course. Better take the pictures in Miss Carr's office," Dundee directed. "You stay here, Lydia. I want to talk with you while that job is being done."

"Yes, sir," Lydia answered, and accepted without thanks the chair he offered.

"I suppose you have read the Hamilton Morning News today, Lydia?" Dundee began, when the door had closed upon Penny and Carraway.

"I have!"

"May I have that paper, chief?"

"Thanks! Now Lydia, I want you to read again the paragraphs that are headed 'New York, May 25,' and tell us if the facts are correct."

Lydia accepted the paper and her single eye scanned the following lines obediently:

New York, May 25.
Mrs. Juanita Leigh Selim, who was murdered Saturday afternoon in Hamilton, was known along Broadway as Nita Leigh, chorus girl and specialty dancer. Her last known address in New York was No. 54 West 54th street, where she had a three-room apartment. According to the superintendent, E. J. Black, Miss Leigh, as he knew her, lived there alone except for her maid, Lydia Carr, and entertained few visitors.

Irrving Wein, publicity director for Altamont Pictures, when interviewed by a reporter in his rooms at the Cadillac Hotel late today, said that Nita Leigh had been used for "bits" and as a dancing "double" for stars in a number of recent pictures, including "Night Life" and "Boy, Howdy!" both of which have dancing sequences. Musical comedy programs for the last year carry her name only once, in the list of "Ladies of the Ensemble" of the revue "What of It?"

Miss Eloise Pendleton, head mistress of Forsythe-of-the-Ind-

son, mentioned in the dispatch from Hamilton, confirms the report that Mrs. Selim, as she was known there, twice directed the annual Easter musical comedy presented by that fashionable school for young ladies, but could add nothing of interest to the facts given above, beyond asserting that Mrs. Selim had proved to be an unusually competent and popular director of their amateur theatricals.

"YES, that's correct, as far as it goes," Lydia commented, resentment in her harsh voice as she returned the paper to Dundee.

"Have you anything to add?" Dundee caught her up quickly.

"No, sir!" Lydia shook her head, her lips in a grim line. Then resentment burst through: "They don't have to talk like she was there, and he asked me to go up and get the bag and set it outside the kitchen door for him. I said I wouldn't do it; it was too risky."

"Then you were pretending to be asleep when I entered your room?"

"Yes, I was! But I had been asleep before Mr. Sprague called me. While you was hammering at me about Nita burning the kitchen door. He had a key Nita had given him. He didn't hardly make any noise at all, but I heard it, because I was listening for it. You'd left the door to the basement stairs open, and my door, too, so I heard him."

"Did you hear him come down?"

"Yes, I did! There's a board on the backstairs that squeaks, and I heard it plain, while you was hammering at me, hammer and tongs." Lydia answered. "He was in the house, not more'n two minutes, at least, and when I figured he was safely out, I went upstairs with you to show you the presents I'd give Nita after she burnt me, to prove I'd forgive her."

"Why didn't you tell me, Lydia? Why did you protect Sprague? I know you don't like him," Dundee puzzled.

"I wasn't thinking about him," Lydia told him flatly. "I was thinking about Nita. I didn't want any scandal on her."

"Are you prepared to swear Sprague had time to do nothing but go up to the bedroom and get his bag?"

"I am!"

"When Lydia and Carraway had left together, Dundee rose and addressed the district attorney:

"I'm going out to the Selim house now, to look for that secret hiding place where Roger CRAIN kept his securities, and which Judge Marshall evidently displayed to Nita, as one of the charms of the house when she rented it."

"Why not simply telephone Judge Marshall and ask him where it is?" Sanderson asked reasonably.

"Do you think he'd tell?" Dundee retorted. "The old boy's no fool. Even if he didn't tell Nita himself and hide the gun there, my question would throw him into a panic of fear lest one of his best friends had done just that. . . . No, I'll find it myself, if it's all right with you!"

(To Be Continued)